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wherein the ink storage chambers are accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge.

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~~17. The ink cartridge according to claim 16, wherein each ink storage chamber has an ink supply port, and all ink supply ports are aligned on one straight line.~~

~~18. The ink cartridge according to claim 16, wherein the yellow ink is stored in the ink storage chamber located at the most end side of the ink storage chambers.~~

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~~19. The ink cartridge according to claim 16, wherein the ink storage chambers are partitioned by partitioning walls, and the partitioning walls are formed so that a thickness of the partitioning walls increases along the direction for ink supply ports of each ink storage chambers.~~

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~~20. The ink cartridge according to claim 16, wherein the light cyan ink, deep cyan ink, light magenta ink, deep magenta ink and yellow ink are stored in such a manner that similar colors are adjacent to each other.~~

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21. The ink cartridge according to claim 16, wherein the ink storage chambers are arranged in an order of storing the light cyan ink, deep cyan ink, light magenta ink, deep magenta ink and yellow ink in a horizontal direction.

22. An ink cartridge mounted on an ink-jet recording apparatus and storing ink of a plurality of colors to be supplied to the ink-jet recording apparatus which has an ink-jet recording head for ejecting the ink and a plurality of ink supply needles for supplying the ink to the recording head, adjacent ones of said ink supply needles being arranged to have a height difference therebetween, comprising:

ink storage chambers each storing light cyan ink, deep cyan ink, light magenta ink, deep magenta ink and yellow ink, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge; and

ink supply ports engaging with the ink supply needles so as to supply the ink stored in the ink storage chambers to the ink supply needles.

23. The ink cartridge according to claim 22, wherein all of said ink supply ports are arranged in one horizontal plain.

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24. An ink cartridge which is used for an ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a plurality of ink storage chambers storing ink of at least five different colors, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge.

25. An ink cartridge which is used for an ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a plurality of ink storage chambers storing ink of at least five different colors, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge; and

wherein each ink storage chamber has an ink supply port, and all ink supply ports are aligned on one straight line.

26. An ink cartridge which is used for an ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a plurality of ink storage chambers storing ink of at least five different colors including yellow ink, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge; and

wherein the yellow ink is stored in the ink storage chamber located at the most end side of the ink storage chambers.

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27. An ink cartridge which is used for an ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a plurality of ink storage chambers storing ink of at least five different colors, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge;

wherein similar colors of the five different colors are adjacent to each other.

28. The ink cartridge which is used for an ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a plurality of ink storage chambers storing ink of at least five different colors, the ink storage chambers being accommodated integrally in the ink cartridge; and

wherein the ink storage chambers are arranged in an order of storing light cyan ink, deep cyan ink, light magenta ink, deep magenta ink and yellow ink in a horizontal direction.--

REMARKS

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the above amendments. Applicants note that this application is virtually identical to the parent application (S.N. 08/628,348) and has therefor been identified as a continuation application. A slight